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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE (ATTENTION: CHAIRMAN, IAC STANDING COMMITTEE) SUBJECT: Proposed Permanent Committee on Soviet Capabilities 25X1 and Intentiona. Committee 1. Reference is made to your memorandum of 3 March 1950, same subject as above. 25X1 2. The necessity of formally establishing a Committee is questioned. The mechanism already exists for the organization by CIA at any time of an interdepartmental committee for the purpose of producing a national intelligence estimate of Soviet capabilities and probable courses of action. 3. The proposed Watch Committee is in a different category because it must function continually and be extremely sensitive to

the emergency of crisis situations. Formal authorization of it is

necessary to insure its smooth and continuous operation.

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